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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 18, 2005, please enter the following amendments and remarks. A petition for a one month extension of time to submit this response is being filed herewith.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.